

KC DX NEWS

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NEXT KCDXC MEETING: March 29 -The March KCDXC meeting will be a virtual meeting on 29th. Like last time K0VXU will send out an invitational link to members. Watch your email for details on the meeting time prior to meeting night. Hopefully, some day our meeting may actually be back at the Library Live. The famous Pie Eating Contest will be a virtual contest at home for now.

BEAUTY IS IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER! WA0WOF SHARES!



Kay, WA0WOF, sent over this excellent picture of her tower and antennas on the left! The STEPPIR covers 10-40 meters. Her 80 Meter wire can be seen stretching down just above the rotor. This outstanding antenna set up has allowed Kay to confirm 330 DXCC countries! This pic is of the back of Kay's lovely estate in Ottawa.

**Time to send in your 2021 KCDXC Dues! A link is found at the bottom of the KCDXC Web page:
<http://www.kcdxclub.com/>**

KCDXC DXCC HONOR ROLL

Call	Mixed	CW	Phone	DIGI	IOTA	160	6 M DXCC	DX Challenge
AB0X	357	353	349	232		225	30	2374
W0GJ	354	344	354	292		236	20	2799
N0RB	353	347	351				23	2269
K0CA	350	349	350	331	318	112		2631
N0CWR	350	349	350	326	975	202	54	2890
NX0I	350	349	347	244		208	4	2502
K3PA	350	348	345	319		188	36	2731
K0HQW	349	333	347			33		1352
KS0DX	347	318	348	129	360			2218
K4SV	346	340	344	337		301	87	2852
AC0A	348	318	348		838		15	2223
K0VXU	348	335	331	265	439	143	2	2295
K0GY	344	340	344	290			5	2295
KB0X	336							
K0AP	334	331	325	295		47	8	2353
W0QQ	334	231	332	193	151	110		1706
K4SX	331	277	314	146		52		1617
KE5BR	330	177	297	79				742
WA0WOF	330							
K0THN	329	314	284		179	1		
W0MB	325	229	324	251				1849
W0FS	322	270	295	230	657	181		1165
K0XM	321	282	274	42	26			1770
AA0MZ	312	290	292	220	532	44	20	1296
AC0C	310	306	267	243	160	128	3	1852
K0IZ	300		300					
NS0D	263	219	142	130		3	2	
W0XE	248	216	193	14				833
AI60	241	208	180	205		19	10	869
AD0K	226	214	80	85	183	22	3	888
W0DR	225	30	174	70		5	7	622
N9GB	203							
N0EG	193	159	141	90		1	3	539
KS0AA	172	75	84	154		3		507
W0ZAP	140	37	75	110		18	2	382
WD0SRI	63	17	56			1	1	

Red indicates member is at the top of the DXCC Honor Roll in that respective class. Totals are with deletions.

NOTE: When changes of DXCC totals are sent in to me, they are immediately updated in the next month here in the newsletter. Send to ab0x@kc.rr.com . All updates are shared with W0XE, for the KCDXC web page. Please only one update a month.

KCDXC DUES!

W0ZAP keeps the Club roster up to date on our web page. There are over 40 people who have not paid their 2021 dues! There are even some people who haven't paid their 2020 dues! Check it out and send in your 2021 dues right away. See: <http://www.kcdxclub.com/roster.html>

2021 REDNECK DXERS

BY AB0X

With apologies to Jeff Foxworthy, here are the latest examples of Redneck DXers. Surely several KCDXC members qualify. Make sure you say:



“You just might be a Redneck DXer IF”:

You have ever used an ironing board as an operating desk!

Your radio club during your virtual Zoom meeting breaks into an unscheduled “Belching Contest”,(and K0XM wins the contest!)

Your yard has an old toilet sitting in it.

You, instead of ending QSOs with “73,” say, “Well, Alright den.”

Your DX Club meets monthly at the Waffle House.

You ever loaded up the clothes line in the backyard with your new antenna tuner.

You keep a spit cup next to your new \$5K HF rig on the operating desk.

Your radio club holds an annual banquet that features canned meat and call it “Ham & Spam Night”.

Your radio club serves fried frog legs(Freshly gigged, too!) at Field Day.

Your radio club logo has the Motto, “Ya’ll Watch This!” on it.

Your deer blind is equipped with a rig and an all band vertical.

You threw away the XYL’s “Live, Laugh, Love” sign and replaced it with “Chew, Spit, DX.”

You have ever been too drunk to operate CW.

You have climbed to the top of your tower to shoot off fireworks on the 4th of July.

You can drive on the interstate in your pickup, hold a beer can and a 2 meter microphone all at the same time.

Your radio club has Tractor Pull Contests as part of Field Day activities.

Your radio club roster has 3 named "Bubba", one named "Skeeter" and another named "Big Skeeter."

Your radio club has three contest teams: Ford, John Deere, and Kubota.

AC0C is your neighbor.

You have ever seen a snake in your radio shack. (AA0MZ)

You are related to W0DR.

You have tried to make a Beverage Antenna out of barbed wire.

Your XYL has a pink, snub nose .38 in her purse.

Every time you spray with Roundup in the yard you find several sections of Rohn 25G.

You have actually been to Iconium, MO.(original name was Toad Suck, MO.)

You remodel the house by putting the old furniture in the front yard!

You have ever used a bar stool as a walker to get to your car.

Your tractor has the latest all band rig and antenna installed in it.

You have ever been too drunk to paint your call on an overpass.

Your radio club has unofficial meetings every Sat. morning at the Bass Pro Snack Bar.

"Going to the city" means driving all the way into Paola.

Your family makes an annual trip to the Redneck Mecca (Branson).

You left KCDXC Suite and have had been too drunk to drive and had to sleep in your car in the garage across from the Crowne Plaza. (K0CS)

You have been disqualified from the KCDXC Golf Tournament for whizzing on the green. (W0FI)

You actually saw the golf swing that earned KB0X the nickname "Whiff" Walker!

Your radio club provided communications for a recent BFRO (Bigfoot Field Research Organization) expedition.

Your QSL has a picture of you in the shack holding an AR-15 on it.

The "Novice Roundup" is a term that refers to newly divorced YLs at the local bar.

You asked your DX Club Treasurer if he takes ammunition in lieu of cash for dues.

Your DX Club annually petitions the ARRL to make the "Ozarks" a separate DXCC country.

DX TRIVIA QUIZ

BY ABØX

Test your DX Trivia knowledge. No cheating, answer only with your Prevagen aided brain!

1. Which of these countries counts as South America in the CW WW DX Contest, and hence a 3 point QSO contact for USA stations? A)PJ2 B)8P6 C)J6 D)VP2E
2. Which of these is not a South Atlantic country? A) D4 B)VP8 C) ZD8 D) 7Q
3. Which is a deleted country for DXCC? A) Desecheo Island B) Kingman Reef C) Pribilof Island D) Midway Island
4. What country uses the Prefix OM? A) Czech Republic B) Market Reef C) Slovak Republic D)Lithuania
5. The prefix for Kazakhstan is A) UM B)UN C)UA2F D) UI
6. The Western Kiribati Islands use which prefix? A)T31 B)T32 C) T2 D) T30
7. Which country is in the southern hemisphere? A)Macquarie Island B) Norfolk Island C)Tristan da Cunha D) Tokelau Island E) All of these F) None of these
8. A group of hams built wooden platforms to operate from on a low tide island in the South China Sea to activate which new DXCC country? A) Scarborough Reef B) Ascension Island C) Peter I Island D) Annobon Island E) Minami Torishima Island
9. What CQ Zone is Malta in? A) 20 B) 15 C)21 D) 16
10. Which DX location did KØCS NOT operate a DXpedition from? A)XX9 B) A35 C) 3D2 D) ZK E) F0

Answers will be given at the end of the newsletter. Send in your scores for bragging rights: ab0x@kc.rr.com

DX NEWS & VIEWS

BY ABØX

The German DX Foundation has put out an outstanding summary page of recent DXpedition ranking them by total QSOs, QSOs per hour, unique stations, and various other averages. Take a look at this page: [GDXF - Mega DXpeditons Honor Roll](#) . I found it to be quite interesting, especially the uniques. This total reflects the DXpeditions effort to work weaker stations and many little pistols. Countless hours on stats has been put into this interesting web page.

A quick check of the Rebel DX page shows some info on their proposed DXpedition to Bouvet later this year. See below:

"Some members of the Rebel DX Group have arrived in Cape Town, South Africa. After several Covid protocols we are in the good hands of our ZS friends and local supporters.

Just to remind you, the whole of our expedition equipment from the first Bouvet 'attack' was secured at the QTH of Andre ZS1AN. What a great guy he is!! We will check again all our expedition gear during the coming days.

We had a very busy day yesterday with Shawn ZS1SBW, working on important paperwork f...

See More (DE FACEBOOK PAGE)"



3D2, FIJI (New Ham). Joanna "JK", 3D2ZK, from Denarau, Nadi, Fiji, posted the following on QRZ.com [edited], "I'm very new to the HAM radio family. Please be patient when you hear me. I finished Jagielonica Law University in Krakow, Poland. I am a living rebel, so I joined forces with Rebel DX Group. My plan is to be active from 3D2/C (Conway Reef), 3D2/R (Rotuma Island) and several rare IOTAs around Fiji from May 2021 for 3-4 months." No QSNs have been reported yet.

4X73/4Z73, ISRAEL (Israel celebrates 73 years of Independence). Jan, 4X1VF, informs OPDX readers, "This year is a very special for the ham radio family all over the world." Special activity will take place during these days using the special callsigns 4X73(XX) and 4Z73(XX). The "XX" will include each operator's last two letters of their private callsign. The activity will start 0600 UTC, April 14th, until Saturday, 2200 UTC, April 17th. QSL connects will be uploaded to LoTW or operators will have their own private QSL cards printed. Some of the operators will use the special callsigns during the "Holyland Contest" that will be taking place in the same weekend.

5W, SAMOA. Hiro, JF10CQ, is now active as 5W7X (remotely from Japan) from Samoa (OC-097). The length of his activity is not known. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via JF10CQ. See QSL info on QRZ.com.

8Q, MALDIVES. Mats, SM6LRR (RM2D), will be active as 8Q7MS from Ukulhas

Island, Alif Alif Atoll (AS-013), between March 28th and April 10th. Activity will be holiday style on mainly 40-15 meters using CW, but with some SSB as well. This is a NON-FT8/FT4 expedition! He states, "Equipment will be decided later, but license is valid for several radios (Lab599 TX-500, Elecraft KX-3 and Kenwood TS 590S), as well as Expert 1.3 K-FA. Antennas will be either Inverted Vees or 1/4-wave verticals on Spider-beam or DX Wire poles. As this is the first time I visited the location, it is still uncertain how signal environment will be. Antennas will be limited to the roof of the building where we will stay, meaning that I am not at all sure which bands I may accommodate. Most likely, no 160/80 meter operation. More information to follow later." QSL info TBD.

9J, ZAMBIA. Bodo, HB9EWU, who is currently on a humanitarian mission to northern Zambia in the Luapula Province (WW Loc. KI40iq) per QRZ.com, is now active as 9J2BG. Activity will be on 20 meters with an end-fed half-wave antenna into Yaesu FT-857. QSL via HB9EWU, direct or by the Bureau. The length of his stay is not known, but he states that QSL cards will only be sent in 2022, when he is back in Switzerland!

A4, OMAN. Khalid, A41CK, will be active as A42K (club/contest callsign) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW and EA5GL.

AM3, SPAIN (Special Event). Look for special event stations AM3DIM and AM3YLD to be active between March 6-12th. Activity is to celebrate "International Women's Day" (March 8th). Operations will be on various HF bands and ECHOLINK. A special certificate is available. See QRZ.com for details.

C7, AUSTRIA. QSL Manager Nick, UA3DX, informs OPDX that members of the International Amateur Radio Contest DX Club (ARCDXC - United Nations) will once again be active as C7A during the month of March for the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) which is a specialized agency of the United Nations. They celebrate WMO Day on March 23rd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters including 60/30/17/12 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Also, look for them to be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 27-28th). QSL via UA3DX, direct or by the Bureau. ADDED NOTE: Remember this station counts for Austria (OE) for DXCC purposes.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME (DST). Next weekend it will be time to change your clocks again. Countries in the Northern Hemisphere (most of N. American and some of the Caribbean) who observe Daylight Saving Time should change their clocks on Sunday, March 14th at 2:00 AM, and should move their "local clocks" forward 1 hour to 3:00:00 AM local time. Daylight Saving Time will end on Sunday, November 7th at 2:00 AM. European countries will switch to DST on March 28th. For the history and details about DST, as well as an interesting map of the world (showing the countries who observe DST), see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daylight_saving_time
<http://www.timeanddate.com/time/dst/2021.html>

ADDED NOTES: Hopefully, all amateur radio operators know not to change their GMT/UTC/ZULU clocks. However, since most operators usually set their computers to local time, some may have to change their settings on "some" ham radio software (ex. logging, propagation, DXTelnet, etc..) programs.

DL21, GERMANY (Special Event). Members of the DARC will activate the special event station DL21EURO during the UEFA (under the age of 21) European Football Championship between March 24th and June 6th. See QRZ.com for more details. QSL via the Bureau or direct to DK5ON.

DQ11, GERMANY (WCA Op). Look for the special callsign DQ11WCA to be active until April 17th, from different WCA (World Castle Award Program) and WWFF (World Wide Flora Fauna) areas. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the Bureau (you don't need to send your own card). The station also has a special reference number "DOK-WCA11" for the German Amateur Radio Club (DARC) DLD award and of course gives you points for the WCA/COTA award programs. Logsearch at: <https://www.qrz.com/lookup/dq11wca>

E2, THAILAND (Contest Activity). Look for the following Thai callsigns during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th):

- E2A -- Operator is Champ, E21EIC, using the contest callsign of the Siam DX Group Club Station (E20AX); as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry; QSL via LoTW or via E21EIC (Bureau or direct)
- E25KAE -- YL Bun, E25KAE, will be active from the E21EIC's QTH and station as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry; QSL via LoTW or via E25KAE (Bureau or direct)
- E29TGW -- Operator is Mew, E29TGW, from Nonthaburi Province; as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power entry; QSL via LoTW or by the Bureau to E29TGW.
- E240YI -- Operator is Tony, E240YI, from Nonthaburi Province; as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry; QSL via LoTW or by the Bureau to E240YI.

ED8, CANARY ISLANDS. Miguel, EA1BP, will be active as ED8W from La Palma Island (AF-004) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. This depends on "no issues" with his fly to EA8-land. QSL via EA5GL.

FM, MARTINIQUE (NA-107). Laurent, FM5BH, will be active during the ARRL International DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power (S02R) entry. QSL via W3HNK or LoTW. PLEASE no dupes.

HC, ECUADOR. Rick, NE8Z, will be active as HC1MD/2 from Provincia de Santa Elena, Ecuador, between now and March 15th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters using mostly CW. QSL via K8LJG or LoTW.

HH, HAITI. Matt, K0BBC, will be active as HH2AA (remotely) from Radio Club D'Haïti in Obleon during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via EB7DX.

HP, PANAMA. Operators Dave/N7NR, Cary/VE4EA, Ed/VE4EAR and Gerald/VE1RM will be active as HP3SS from Volcan, Panama (remotely), during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via AC2OV.

HV0, VATICAN. Francesco, IK0FVC, will be active as HV0A from Vatican during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL

via IK0FVC direct.

IOTA NEWS. The following are IOTA operations that were active this past week between March 1-5th (as per the DXCluster):

PX0, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. "DX-World.net" reports that the PX0N DXpedition (for May or June of this year) has been put on hold and the callsign will be changed. STAY TUNED!

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Paul, KA5WPX, reports on QRZ.com that he "occasionally" operates as V7/KA4WPX or V73AX (Kwajalein Club station). Activity is on 160-10 meters using CW. Paul states on QRZ.com: "I can be found 3-4 nights (local) per week between 0730-0830 UTC on the lower 30 kc of the CW portions of 15m and 10m. I occasionally do similarly on 40m and 20m, and will try 80m and 160m when it's quiet. I am also keen on making contact on 6m, specifically 50.110 kHz CW or SSB. And finally, you are more likely to hear me using club station callsign, V73AX." QSL via the address on QRZ.com.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN. Massimo, IZ0EGB, is still there working and active as Z81B. He has been heard on 7140 kHz at 2200z, 18143 kHz between 0900-1030z, 7074 kHz at 2149z on FT8, 18100 kHz between 1930-2145z on FT8, 18140 kHz between 1000-1110z, 3573 kHz between 2212-2300z on FT8 and 14190 kHz between 1500-1600z. QSL via IZ0EGA, ClubLog, eQSL and LoTW.

DXCC'S MOST WANTED DE ClubLog

The "DXCC Most Wanted" entities list has been updated on ClubLog as of March 1st. The list contains 340 entities.

The following are the top 26 entities:

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| 1. P5 DPRK (North Korea) | 14. KH4 Midway Island |
| 2. 3Y/B Bouvet Island | 15. ZS8 Prince Edward & Marion Islands |
| 3. FT5/W Crozet Island | 16. PY0S Saint Peter and Paul Rocks |
| 4. BS7H Scarborough Reef | 17. PY0T Trindade & Martim Vaz Islands |
| 5. CE0X San Felix Islands | 18. KP5 Desecheo Island |
| 6. BV9P Pratas Island | 19. SV/A Mount Athos |
| 7. KH7K Kure Island | 20. VP8S South Sandwich Islands |
| 8. KH3 Johnston Island | 21. KH5 Palmyra & Jarvis Islands |
| 9. 3Y/P Peter 1 Island | 22. ZL9 New Zealand Subantarctic Islands |
| 10. FT5/X Kerguelen Island | 23. JD/M Minami Torishima |
| 11. FT/G Glorioso Island | 24. EZ Turkmenistan |
| 12. VK0M Macquarie Island | 25. YK Syria |
| 13. YV0 Aves Island | 26. FK/C Chesterfield Island |

There have been no changes in the "Top 26" since we last reported back on January 31st. The complete "DXCC Most Wanted" entities list (340) is available at: <https://secure.clublog.org/mostwanted.php>

THANKS TO OHIO/PENN DX BULLETIN, REBEL DX GROUP, GDXF, & CLUB LOG!

CHRISTMAS STAR DE KF0XU

Larry, KF0XU, sent over the pic below. It was taken on Christmas Eve. See what you think??



FOR SALE! FOR SALE!

An Alpha 76PA(3 tuber) Linear Amp is available from AB0X. Just back from commercial repair service(Dick Byrd). Running great and looking good! Tested and 1500 watts output by repair service achieved. Tubes excellent! \$1200. Email AB0X at ab0x@kc.rr.com if interested.

Answers to DX Trivia Quiz:

1.A, 2.D, 3.B, 4.C, 5.B, 6.D, 7.E, 8.B, 9.A, 10.C

Contact the Editor of the KC DX News at ab0x@kc.rr.com if you have news or comments.



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